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A Joint Statement From Utah's Environmental and Public Health Agencies

Environmental and Public Health Agencies Launch Olympic Information Web Page

(Salt Lake City, UT) - An alliance of state and local environmental and public health agencies today announced the launch of a new web page that will provide information on environmental and public health issues related to the Salt Lake City 2002 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games. The web page, www.health.utah.gov/travel, includes list of health and safety tips for Olympic visitors and workers on a variety of topics including altitude sickness, hypothermia, winter driving skills and prevention of slips and falls. Visitors will also find information for each Olympic venue and links to additional web pages with Olympic and Utah visitor information.

"The information on this web page is a wonderful approach to promoting the health and welfare of individuals visiting or working at the Olympics," stated Dr. Evan Nelson, Director of the Weber-Morgan Health Department. "This web page will provide Olympic visitors with valuable information that will help ensure that their Olympic experience is safe, healthy and enjoyable," Nelson said.

Regular updates to the web page throughout the Olympics and Paralympics will provide visitors and residents with current information on environmental and public health issues and events. The web page will also serve as a resource for local, national and international media covering the games.

Agencies contributing to the web page include the Utah Department of Health, Utah Department of Environmental Quality, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, along with the Davis County, Salt Lake Valley, Summit County, Utah County, Wasatch County and Weber-Morgan health departments.

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